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SYMPOSIUM ON "TOMORROW'S JUDAISM" TO BE FEATURED AT CENTRE FEBRUARY 8

"Tomorrow's Judaism" will be the topic of a particularly interesting symposium to be presented by the Jewish Community Centre under the auspices of the Israeli Forum on Sunday evening, February 8, at 8:30 o'clock in the Main Auditorium of the Jewish Centre.

This challenging and thought-provoking evening will bring to Ottawa for the first time, a panel of three American Rabbis, who as Army Chaplains

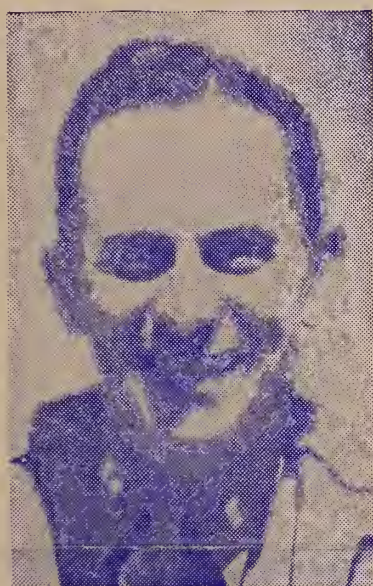
during world War II, realized that there are large areas of agreement wherein Canadian and American Jewry can and must work together.

Without minimizing or evading the areas of disagreement, Emanuel Rackman, an Orthodox Rabbi, Edward T. Sandrow, a Conservative Rabbi and David Max Eichhorn, a Reform Rabbi will bring a message of vital significance and discuss a program of unified

action which is vital if the American Jewish community is to survive and develop.

The Symposium will be followed by an open forum.

Tickets are \$1.00 each and may be obtained from the Jewish Community Centre, Congregation Agudath Israel, or any member of the Israeli Forum.



EDWARD T. SANDROW

Rabbi, Temple Beth El, Cedarhurst, L. I. Graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Member of Rabbinical Assembly of America. Served as Chaplain in the United States Army for almost four years, seeing service in the Aleutian Islands and Alaska. Teaching Fellow at New York University, Associate editor of The Reconstructionist magazine. Member of the Administrative Committee of the Zionist Organization of America and the Histadruth Ivrit. Chairman, Hebrew Arts Foundation. Contributor to various Anglo-Jewish and Hebrew periodicals.



EMANUEL RACKMAN

Rabbi, Congregation Sharry Tefila and Jewish Center, Far Rockaway, New York. Served in Europe as Military Aide to Theatre Commander's Special Advisor on Jewish Affairs. Lectured to several thousand army chaplains at Air Forces' and Service Forces' Chaplains Schools. Lecturer in Political and Social Philosophy at Yeshiva University. Member of Executive Committee of the Mizrahi Organization of America. Published many articles in English and Hebrew Press.



DAVID MAX EICHORN

Field Secretary, Division of Religious Activities, National Jewish Welfare Board. Served in Europe in World War II as combat chaplain. Guided Army's efforts to care for tens of thousands of Jewish concentration-camp victims in France, Germany, and Austria. Holds degree of Doctor of Divinity from Hebrew Union College. Recognized authority on American Jewish history, especially on Christian efforts to convert American Jews. Member of executive board of Central Conference of American Rabbis.

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SYNAGOGUE-CENTRE — TALMUD TORAH

The early founders and pioneers of this great Jewish Community of Ottawa were devoted and indefatigable self-sacrificing servants of the community weal. They did not glory in past accomplishments but always strove to nurture and enhance the future growth of the community. In the words of our Sages they were "chachamim" who were blessed with far-sighted vision, "roini et ha-nolad." They envisioned, therefore, an historic moment in the future of Ottawa Jewry when Synagogue-Centre—Talmud Torah edifices would be built in a prominent and fortuitous locale which would serve the diversified religious, educational, cultural and social needs of both young and old.

These new buildings were to be modern in design in their facilities and decor yet impressed clearly and indelibly with the seal of our people's glorious age-old tradition. Much of our community's religious and social activities were therefore to be localized and concentrated by dint of which a refreshing spirit of unity rather than divisiveness and fragmentation would be engendered in the community. Here was, therefore, a hope, a dream, a prayer and a pledge. Today the challenge of building and expansion is also a pressing need and an urgent necessity.

When our community was small and its families few in number the Synagogue alone was able to be an all-inclusive and self-centered institution. In the course of the years the community has grown in its numbers and in its ebullient activities. Additional institutions, agencies and organizations have been established and channelizing unto themselves distinctive phases of community endeavour that heretofore were undertaken directly by the Synagogue. There is, therefore, a danger that the Synagogue will be relegated to the minimum role of a House of Prayer alone without touching and coloring in any manner the day to day activities of the Jewish families of the community.

One of the many advantages of a Synagogue-Centre — Talmud Torah "chut hameshulash" in a localized area is that the religious motif expressed by the Synagogue will serve as the pivot around which all other activities will function. The future of this community will ultimately require that all the religious, cultural and social institutions be concentrated so that the accent of the Synagogue will impinge itself on all phases of the community life.

Our youth today (past Talmud Torah age) is primarily if not totally Centre conscious. The Synagogue is in another geographical area and therefore "never the twain shall meet." Whereas many of the adults in the community feel a keen personal loyalty and commitment to the Synagogue as over against the Community Centre most of our young people feel a sense of identification with the Centre (the environment for their activities) but no ties, no personal and meaningful loyalty to the Synagogue at all. We are rearing a young generation that is solely Centre conscious and to a great extent secular activity minded. Basketball and bowling, skating and dances may keep our youngsters from the law courts dealing with juvenile delinquency but these activities alone do not make for staunch and inspired Jewish loyalties.

The community desperately needs a complete pooling of the resources of Synagogue-Centre — Talmud Torah to the end that the totality rather than the departmentalization of Jewish life will be inculcated into the thinking and into the lives of our youth from kindergarten to adulthood.

Here is, therefore, a challenge to the leaders of our community. Will our leadership show courage, tenacious perseverance and *energetically* propel the building program *now*? Will our leadership accept the responsibility placed upon them by the founders of their community and make their hopes and dreams a beautiful and inspiring reality *now*?

Will our leaders have faith in the latent potentialities of Ottawa Jewry? Will they realize that theirs is the historic opportunity to pioneer and share in the great destiny of building a greater and better Ottawa Jewish Community?

The generations of the past join the generations of the future in the prayer that we of the present will build now.

RABBI SIMON L. ECKSTEIN

ADULT PROGRAM NOTES**Music Group****Radio Broadcast on February 22**

In observance of Jewish Music Month, a Special Radio Broadcast will be presented over CKOY, from 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 22. The program has been arranged by the Music Committee of the Jewish Community Centre with the co-operation of Dan Carr of CKOY. The committee in charge of arrangements is composed of Maurice A. Ryant, Noel Gluck, Bob Shnay and Mrs. I. I. Betcherman.

The regular music appreciation sessions to be held on Thursday evenings, February 5 and 19 will be devoted to the works of Jewish composers.

Jewish Music Month is being nationally observed by communities during the month of February.

Lecture Series

Dr. John Katzman will be the guest lecturer at the February 12 session of the current Adult Education Series sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre under the auspices of the Israeli Forum. He will discuss "Cosmic Radiation."

On Thursday evening, February 26, Rabbi Samuel M. Burstein will occupy the rostrum. His topic is "Does God Believe in Scientists?"

The lectures are held in the Social Hall beginning at 8:30 p.m.

Choral Society

Laz Mirsky, chairman of the Synagogue-Centre Choral Society reports that 45 persons are now actively associated with the group. Rehearsals are progressing remarkably well, with a great deal of enthusiasm being displayed by the participants. A varied repertoire has been selected for the first appearance of the group on April 19. Rev. Joseph Rabin is Director of the Choral Society.

DIRECTORS STUDYING PROPOSAL TO BUILD BALANCE OF PROJECT

At time of going to press, the Board of Directors of the Jewish Community Centre is giving careful consideration to a plan presented by the Officers and Building Committee, which when accepted will clear the way for construction of the Synagogue-Gymnasium and Talmud Torah wings of the project.

The plan which has been proposed envisages a start in building activity as early as the spring of 1954, with occupancy by the fall of 1955. Construction is to be financed by a fund-raising campaign to be inaugurated as early as possible in 1953.

During the next few weeks the Board of Directors will meet with the Synagogues and groups concerned, and it is expected that concrete proposals should be ready for presentation to a general meeting of contributors at an early date.

CONGREGATIONAL JOTTINGS

Heartiest congratulations and best wishes are extended to Rabbi and Mrs. Oscar Z. Fasman who will celebrate the Bar-Mitzvah of their youngest son, Reuven Mitchell, on Saturday morning, March 7 at Congregation Anshe Sholom, Chicago. On Sunday, March 8, they will give a reception in his honour at the Hotel Morrison from three to six o'clock. The Fasman's will be glad to welcome Ottawa Friends in Chicago at that time . . .

Our deepest sympathy and condolences go to Mr. S. Zukerman, Shamos of the Machzikei Hadath Congregation on the recent passing of his beloved wife. May her memory be a blessing for ever. . . .

A. Louis Achbar was re-elected chairman of the Talmud Torah Board, and Abraham H. Lieff, Q.C., was elected chairman of the Board of Education at the Annual Meeting of the Ottawa Talmud Board held recently.

Congregation Adath Jeshurun will be presenting jackets to the charter members of the B'nai Zion Club, a group of 13 and 14 year old boys, who have undertaken to assign two members to attend daily morning and afternoon services in that Synagogue. Rabbi Eckstein is the leader of this Club which already numbers 15 members. Harold N. Pearl and Irving Rivers are assisting in arranging the schedule of attendances as well as the procuring of the jackets. . . .

Charles Gavsie and Dr. Wilfred Gallav have delivered highly interesting addresses to the Men's Club of the Agudath Israel Congregation recently.

Speakers for other sessions are Eugene Kash, February 8 and Fred McCann, February 15 in observance of Brotherhood Week. Ben Flesher is the energetic president of the Club. . . .

A presentation of Mishnayos was made by Mr. and Mrs. David Epstein to the Chevra Mishnayos Society of the B'nai Jacob Congregation which meets every Sunday morning with Rabbi Eckstein from 9:00 - 9:30 o'clock. . . .

Members of the Chevra Mishnayos of the Machzikei Hadath Congregation will hold their annual banquet on Sunday evening, February 8. They will be addressed by Rabbi Eckstein. . . .

An excellent program has been arranged for the Purim meeting of the Adath Jeshurun Sisterhood to be held Wednesday, February 25 at 3:00 p.m.

At their regular monthly meeting held January 21, the Agudath Achim Sisterhood formulated plans for a Purim party to be held at the Jewish Community Centre on Saturday evening, February 28. Invitations will be tendered to all members and seatholders of the Synagogue. At the meeting, a very interesting and informative talk on the Influence of Eastern European Jewry on Jewish Music was presented by Mrs. Hyman Bessin. A tea will be held on February 8 and the next meeting will take place on February 18. . . .

Mrs. Harry Goldenberg presided at the regular meeting of the Machzikei Hadath Sisterhood held recently, where a successful financial season was reported. Regular meetings will henceforth be held on the second Monday evening of each month, with the next session, featuring a full-length movie scheduled for February 9. . . .

At the regular meeting of the B'nai Jacob Sisterhood held January 26, Mrs. Simon L. Eckstein installed Mrs. M. Lobel as honorary president and Mrs. J. Gerstl as honorary member honouring her 80th birthday. Lillian Friedman presented Mrs. Lobel with a tree certificate and Mrs. S. Schreiber presented Mrs. Gerstl with a corsage of pink roses. At the close of the meeting, Mrs. Eckstein delivered a very interesting reading on Tu B'Shevat. . . .

The Agudath Israel Congregation has a new and attractive format for its Synagogue Bulletin. . . .

KINDLING THE SABBATH LIGHTS

"L'Hadlik Neir Shel Shabbat"

SCHEDULE

February 6	4:56 p.m.
February 13	5:07 p.m.
February 20	5:17 p.m.
February 27	5:27 p.m.

RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE OTTAWA VAAD HA'IR



HYMAN GOULD

At the Annual General Meeting of the Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir held January 19, Hyman Gould, prominent communal leader was unanimously re-elected President for the year 1953.

A complete list of the Officers and Committee Chairmen elected follows:

Past Presidents: Lawrence Freiman, Thomas Sachs; Honorary President: Samuel Berger, Q.C.; President: Hyman Gould; Vice-Presidents: Alex Betcherman, Lazarus S. Greenberg, Abraham H. Lieff, Q.C.; Treasurer: Harry Fine, Honorary Secretary: Isidore Stone.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Arbitration: E. M. Glatt; Authorization and Audit: I. Stone; Breakfast Club: L. S. Greenberg; Campaign: D. Zelikovitz; Cemetery: M. N. Drazin; Finance and Budget: M. K. Levinson; Ladies: Mrs. B. M. Alexandor; Public Relations: M. R. Freedman; Rabbinical: S. Zelikovitz; Synagogue-Centre: B. M. Alexandor, Q.C., A. Betcherman, M. Zagerman; Talmud Torah Board: A. L. Achbar; Vaad Hakashruth: L. Petegorsky; Youth: M. Cohen; Zionist: B. I. Loeb.

In addition to the Officers and Committee Chairmen listed above, the Executive Council includes the Presidents of all Congregations, Messrs. S. Caplan, H. Soloway, Q.C., E. Weiner, M. Dworkin, A. H. Lieff, Q.C., the President of B'nai B'rith Ottawa Lodge No. 885, R. Edelstein and the President of the Ottawa Hebrew Benefit Society, B. Bookman.

CRADLE ROLL

Baby son Murray Hart (Moshe Chaim) born December 29, 1952 to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Finkelstein (nee Bessie Fireman).

Baby son Samuel (Shmuel) born January 12, 1953 to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gelman.

Baby son Stephen Mark (Zisel Myer) born December 30, 1952 to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Silver (nee Leona Viner).

Baby daughter Cheryl Lee (Sora Laya) born January 19, 1953 to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Tatz (nee Gittel Jewett).

MARRIAGES

Congratulations are extended to:

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman H. Freed of Montreal (nee Rae Wyneberg) who were married January 10, 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. Lazarus Newman (nee Emily Steinberg of New York) who were married August 3, 1952 in New York.

ENGAGEMENTS

Congratulations are extended on the engagements of:

Ruth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Feinstein to Irving Aaron, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Aaron. Marriage to take place in June.

Lily, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Glustein to Melvin (Mel) Lefton of Toronto, son of Mrs. E. Lefton and the late Mr. Lefton. Marriage to take place February 15, 1953.

Betty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Lee to Mayer Ferber, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Ferber.

Evelyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Sobcuff to Joseph Lieff, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lieff.

Gladys Gita, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Viner to John Greenberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Greenberg.

BAR MITZVAH

Congratulations are extended to:

Daniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Shapiro, whose Bar-Mitzvah was celebrated on Saturday morning, January 31, 1953 at Congregation Agudath Achim.

SADNESS

The community extends its condolences to the families of the late:

Harry Sadava
Max Silverstein
Annie Smith
Ann Zuckerman

May their memory be a blessing. May the Almighty comfort their loved ones.

YOUTH RAMBLINGS**Live Talent Concert**

In observance of Jewish Music Month, the Youth Department will hold a concert on Sunday evening, February 22, in the Main Auditorium of the Jewish Community Centre.

Participants will be Shirley Small, pianist, Evelyn Feldman, pianist, Margaret Gross, violinist, Walter Satov, harmonica, Benny Greenberg, clarinet, and Esther Glatt, monologue.

Admission is .50.

Leadership Training Course

Plans have been formulated for a youth leadership training course which

will be inaugurated next week. In addition to a series of lectures on principles of group work, the curriculum will include the history and observance of the holidays and festivals, the State of Israel and the specific needs of various age groups. Interested persons are asked to contact Samuel I. Wechsler for further details.

Summer Day Camp

Applications are being invited from qualified persons interested in serving as counselors during the Summer Day Camp held at the Jewish Community Centre. Call Mr. Wechsler at 5-7258 for details.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS — FEBRUARY

(Unless otherwise noted, functions will be held in the Jewish Community Centre)

- Feb. 2 Synagogue-Centre Board of Directors, Regular Monthly Meeting, Board Room, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 3 Talmud Torah P.T.A. Monthly Meeting, Social Hall, 8:30 p.m.
Ottawa Hebrew Benefit Society, Regular Meeting, Histadrut Centre, 8:30 p.m.
Centre Bridge Club, Lecture Room, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 4 B'nai B'rith Women's Chapter No. 421, Regular Meeting, 2:00 p.m.
- Feb. 5 Congregation Agudath Achim, Regular Monthly Meeting, 8:30 p.m.
Ottawa Council of Hadassah, Monthly Meeting, Lecture Room, 8:15 p.m.
United Zionist Council Meeting, Board Room, 8:30 p.m.
Music Appreciation Group, Music Room, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 6 Agudath Israel Congregation Oneg Shabbat, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 8 Symposium on "Tomorrow's Judaism," Main Auditorium, 8:30 p.m.
Chevra Mishnayos, Congregation Machzikei Hadath, Annual Banquet, Vestry Rooms, 6:30 p.m.
The Eternal Light, CKOY, 10:00 p.m.
- Feb. 9 Machzikei Hadath Sisterhood, Regular Meeting, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 10 Congregation Adath Jeshurun, General Meeting, 8:30 p.m.
Centre Bridge Club Duplicate, Social Hall, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 11 B'nai B'rith Ottawa Lodge No. 885, Dinner Meeting, Social Hall, 6:30 p.m.
Day School General Meeting, Talmud Torah, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 12 Adult Lecture Series, Social Hall, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 14 Sinai Chapter of Hadassah Dance, Main Auditorium, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 15 Ottawa Hebrew Free Loan Association Tea, Social Hall, 8:30 p.m.
Pauline Bilsky Chapter of Hadassah Tea, Congregation Adath Jeshurun, 3:00 p.m.
Dagania Group Pioneer Women Tea, Histadrut Centre, 8:30 p.m.
The Eternal Light, CKOY, 10:00 p.m.
- Feb. 17 Ottawa Hebrew Benefit Society, Regular Meeting, Histadrut Centre, 8:30 p.m.
Centre Bridge Club, Lecture Room, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 18 Ottawa Women's ORT Bingo, Main Auditorium, 8:00 p.m.
Agudath Achim Sisterhood, Regular Meeting, 3:00 p.m.
- Feb. 19 Music Appreciation Group, Music Room, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 20 Agudath Israel Congregation Oneg Shabbat, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 22 Special Radio Broadcast in observance of Jewish Music Month, CKOY, 2:30 p.m.
Youth Department Concert, Main Auditorium, 8:30 p.m.
Ottawa Women's ORT Group 1 Tea, Congregation Agudath Achim, 3:00 p.m.
The Eternal Light, CKOY, 10:00 p.m.
- Feb. 23 Executive Council Ottawa Vaad Ha'Ir, Regular Monthly Meeting, Board Room, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 24 National Council of Jewish Women Meeting, Congregation Agudath Israel, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 25 Adath Jeshurun Sisterhood, Purim Meeting, 3:00 p.m.
B'nai B'rith Ottawa Lodge No. 885, Regular Meeting, Social Hall, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 26 Adult Lecture Series, Social Hall, 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 28 Fast of Esther.
Agudath Achim Sisterhood Purim Party, Social Hall, 8:30 p.m.
Talmud Torah Purim Masquerade and Ball, Talmud Torah, 8:30 p.m.
- Mar. 1 Purim.

- The Purim issue of the Bulletin will appear on February 26. Deadline for material is February 16.